

RAT PORTAGE MINER

CHAS. BRENT REPLIES TO E. T. LECLAIR.

Another Statement From Mr. Brent Regarding the Ash Rapids Mining Co.

Mr. Brent has handed us the following letter which was published in the Detroit Journal, also some extracts of foreign press.

Editor The Journal.—A copy of the Journal of the 23rd ult. has been forwarded to me here, in which certain statements and affidavits of President LeClair and Treasurer Neilson, of the Ash Rapids Company, are published. In reply I desire to state that I do not attempt to deny having had some correspondence with the Ash Rapids officials with regard to reopening the Boulder mine, but I do state positively that as soon as I saw the prospectus of the company I at once took steps to have my position with regard to this company defined. I do not deny having written a letter to G. J. Ross, of Rat Portage, on the subject of the "Lucky Strike," or S312, which is now known as the Ash Rapids claim. The statements in that letter are all true and I regard the "Lucky Strike" as a promising prospect. I deny, however, that this letter is a report and wish to direct your readers' attention to the essential difference between the statements made in that letter and the statement attributed to me in the prospectus of the Ash Rapids Company. I quote from the prospectus: "Mr. Charles Bonald (Brent) mining engineer and government geologist, considered one of the best, most careful and conscientious experts in Canada, made a careful examination of this property and in his report spoke of it in the most glowing terms. He says the vein contact and formation are identical in every respect with the famous Mikado and in fact the vein may be easily traced in a continuous line from the Mikado to Ash Rapids." I quote from my letter to Mr. Ross: "Geological Formation—

The property is situated in a belt of altered trap lying between two bosses of eruptive granite. N.B. It may be noted that the Mikado, Bullion, Cedar Island, etc., lie around the base of the western boss.

"I consider the 'Lucky Strike' a very promising prospect. It is in a very good neighborhood, being in the eastern edge of the mass of eruptive granite, on which are situated the noted Mikado, Bullion and other rich mines."

These statements are true, but the quotations from the Ash Rapids Co.'s prospectus are false.

To bolster up their position and to reconcile the difference between my statements, and their statements in the prospectus, the president, Mr. LeClair, and the treasurer, Mr. Neilson, have resorted to sworn statements for which I shall hold them personally responsible. I quote from LeClair's affidavit: "And affiant further states that afterward said Brent in the presence of Carl O. Neilson, the treasurer of the Ash Rapids Gold Mining Company, a banker of Sandusky, O., and affiant, at the offices of said Brent in Rat Portage, Ont., said that one of the veins of said mining location S312 had been by him traced directly into the property of the Mikado mine." I wish to state positively that I never made such an absurd statement. I quote from Neilson's affidavit: "And affiant further states that he has read that portion of Mr. LeClair's affidavit relative to a vein of mining location S312, having been traced by said Brent into the property of the Mikado mine and affiant states that said Brent did so state to affiant and Mr. LeClair that he had traced one of the veins of S312 into the property of the Mikado mine."

I never had any conversation with either LeClair or Neilson about S312 or the Lucky strike. I am prepared to substantiate any statements I have made as to the value of the Boulder property. There is certainly some gold at the Boulder. I have before me a list of assays made in my laboratory here from rock brought to me by Mr. John R. Gifford, superintendent of the mine, from the Boulder between July 26, 1898, and Aug. 4, 1899. These assays, 27 in number, average \$2.24 per ton. There is evidently, therefore, gold at the Boulder, but it is not a mine; it is not true that there is any ore in

sight to warrant the erection of a stamp mill; that there are "thousands of tons of ore on the dump," or that to quote again, "We have enough ore in sight to keep 1,000 stamps busy continuously for the next hundred years."

I am informed that the Ash Rapids company is capitalized at \$25,000,000, with 11,000,000 shares in the treasury. What has become of the other 13,500,000 shares? Has the Ash Rapids company paid the Boulder company 13,500,000 shares for the Boulder properties? Is the Boulder company receiving cash and shares as a consideration for the Boulder properties? I should advise the investing public to have these questions answered before buying any more Ash Rapids stock.

I append extract from a letter from W. L. Appleford, manager of the Ash Rapids Co., dated December 10th, 1900, in which he asks me if I have made a report on Ash Rapids claim and my reply of 14th in which I expressly state that I have made no report:

"I understand that you made a report on either the Ash Rapids property known as S382, or JCS2 known as the Sturgeon Lake. If so, kindly send us a copy of these reports that we may embody same in our new prospectus. Please hasten this thing along, Mr. Brent."

To which I replied as follows:—

"I have not issued a report on either the Ash Rapids property (S382) or your Sturgeon Lake property (JCS2). I shall be pleased to examine either or both of these properties at any time."

Rat Portage a Port of Entry.

Ottawa, April 17.—The towns of Rat Portage, Pelly Sound and New Glasgow have been erected into full ports of customs entry.

The business of Rat Portage has greatly increased since the opening of the office as a sub-port. The necessity of having the office made a full port of entry was taken up by the Board of Trade of the District of Rainy River, and the improved status is the result of the efforts of the Board in that direction. Much time and labor will be saved to importers, merchants and vessel owners and others having business with the office.

Sakoske Mine.

The steady shipments made from the Sakoske mine since the Ottawa Gold Milling & Mining Co. took the property over from Messrs. Watson and Munro, have entitled this mine to be ranked among the regular bullion producers of the district, and it is the one property in this vicinity which has

GAUDAUR TO STAY HERE

Unfounded Reports Published in Toronto that World's Champion Will Leave.

Two or three Toronto papers have this week contained announcements with big headings, that J. G. Gaudaur, the world's champion oarsman had decided to leave Rat Portage and take up his residence in Toronto.

Mr. Gaudaur is away on a shooting trip at the present time and we were unable to get a refutation from himself, but the manager of his business—the Russell House—gave THE MINER authority to state that there was no truth whatever in the rumored change, and that Mr. Gaudaur would continue to make Rat Portage his home.

Mr. Gaudaur has been eminently successful in business here, and he believes there is no town in Canada where his chances of continued success are so bright. He will continue to keep in training as heretofore and is willing to arrange a race for the championship on suitable terms with anyone who desires the coveted honor.

Mr. Gaudaur has the tenderest feelings towards Toronto and will always bear the kindest remembrances to the magnificent reception tendered to him by its people on his return from England with the world's championship in his pocket. However, he has no intention at present of leaving Rat Portage and taking up his residence in the Queen City. The world's champion recognizes that with the establishment of the big pulp mill and other industries here, and the renewed activity in mining, no other town in Canada will make the same progress that is in store for Rat Portage during the next few years.

We were surprised to notice that the Winnipeg Telegram publishes what it terms "a special despatch" from Rat Portage in regard to the rumored removal of Mr. Gaudaur. The "special" was most likely written in the office of the Telegram without any enquiry whatever. It savors very much like a relash of the Toronto article.

The Homestake Mine.

Encouraging reports continue to come from the Homestake mine. The contractors state that a splendid body of quartz has been struck in the south crosscut. Besides panning gold freely there is a good percentage of copper visible.

extensively worked over at a profit, using a system of concentrating by running water as in placer gold diggings.

The beach sands on the coast of Brazil have also produced a considerable quantity.

Monazite is reddish brown to yellow in color, usually forming beds of sand along with other heavy minerals, such as magnetite, gold, zircons, garnets, sphenes, corundum, etc. It is difficult to distinguish from the minerals with which it is found and may be passed over as of no value, as it may easily be mistaken for rusty quartz, corundum, sphenes, zircon, etc.

Its hardness is 5 to 5.5 and can be scratched by ordinary red felspar or quartz. It has a resinous lustre when pure.

It is quite probable that this important mineral occurs in Ontario as zircons are known to be widely distributed in Ontario, especially found in pegmatites and gneiss, also in mica deposits in Eastern Ontario.

As the mineral when fairly pure is worth about \$10 per ton, heavy sands found in river beds and shores of lakes may be worth investigation.

The Provincial Assay Office, at Belleville, will identify free of charge all examples supposed to be valuable if brought to the laboratory and at a nominal charge if sent in for examination with a written report.

Renewed Interest in Mining.

Paul Gasse, the well-known mining man of the Manitou district, is in town. He has just returned from a business trip to St. Paul and West Superior. He states that interest in mining in this district among St. Paul and Minneapolis people is steadily increasing, and he has assurances that as soon as navigation opens a number of people will come here to investigate our mineral resources. They have plenty of money to put into thoroughly reliable mining properties. Mr. Gasse believes that if these people are treated in a fair manner by the prospectors that the present summer will witness considerably more development than has heretofore been the case. He is confident that the Manitou district possesses a number of properties of undoubted value, and that their exploitation will enrich their owners.

Work is progressing with satisfactory results on the Sairey Camp. The shaft is now getting down to the second level. The crosscut has exposed an immense body of quartz.

The Gold Standard has now a shaft down 80 in solid quartz with a good foot wall. The vein, which is well defined, is about 15 feet wide, and the values, considering the size of the ore

with the rapidity that it was desired, without the aid of outside capital. This was certain to be forthcoming, but they wanted their fellow British subjects to share in their prosperity.

While Canada was engaged in working out its destiny, the people were not forgetting what was expected of them as citizens of the Empire. They regard themselves equally British with those who had been born and who had lived in any part of the United Kingdom, and consequently "Imperial Sentiment" was strong there. They knew the great advantages they had derived from the union of the different parts of British North America, and many of them thought that the time had come for the closer unity of the Empire—a problem which was gradually solving itself. With Canada united, with Australia united, with the union of British South Africa—as soon as the memory of recent events had become less acute—the possibility of closer Imperial unity became more hopeful. It could not be expected that things would long continue as at present, in view of the important British communities that were growing up everywhere, and in the minds of all thinking men there was a feeling that something had to be done to make the Empire more homogeneous than at present. It was this Imperial Sentiment, said Lord Strathcona, in conclusion, that had made Great Britain what it was and its continuance and legitimate development would assure the integrity of the Empire being maintained, he hoped and believed, for all time to come.

There is no good foundation for prejudice against "pocket" mines, says the Mining and Scientific Press. Nearly all mines are more or less pocket or spotted. A real pocket mine is one where an exceedingly rich bunch of ore occurs occasionally, while the rest of the vein is comparatively barren. Sometimes it takes all the money found in one pocket to carry on the work to reach the next. Occasionally, six months or a year's work is spent before a good pocket is found. Some of the pocket mines have been worked for a number of years in a sort of intermittent way, but have been found to pay in the end. The ledges of these mines are usually small. But even in the chipmunks of good, well defined wide ledges there are poor and rich spots—not so marked, of course, as in the true pocket mine, but occurring nevertheless. Possibly the pocket mines will not hold out as long or warrant expensive plants, but then much less ore is mined. Sometimes a vein is pocketed, and extremely rich on the surface, which, with depth attained,

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NEWSPAPER MEN COMING

The Western Press Excursion Will Visit Us In June.

Geo. A. Graham, manager of the Rainy River Navigation Co., returned Wednesday from a business trip to Reaver Mills via Winnipeg. While in Winnipeg he made preliminary arrangements with some of the officials of the Western Press Association to hold their annual excursion to this district about the 18th of June. Last year they went to Montreal and Quebec by way of Chicago and Buffalo, but this year they think a shorter trip would be more desirable and believe that they could not do better than visit Rat Portage and take the boat trip as far as Mine Centre. The newspaper men have a desire to inform themselves regarding our great mineral and timber resources, and we hope that when they come here an effort will be made to entertain the party and also give them any information which may be desired.

The Western Press association numbers among its membership representatives of all the leading papers from Lake Superior to the coast. It is expected that about seventy-five will visit Rat Portage.

GIRL'S ESCAPE.

She Dons Boy's Clothing and Hires Out as a Sheep Herder.

Yankton, S. D., April 14.—Edith Kellogg, the 14-year-old daughter of Charles Kellogg, who lives south of Pukwana, left her home last Friday and made her way to that place. She wore a boy's coat and cap and carried a bundle containing a shirt and pair of trousers. On arriving there she went to a barber shop and had her hair cut short. From there she wandered out south of town and changed her clothes putting on boy's apparel. Proceeding on her journey, she arrived at Fred Konna's house, where she hired out as a boy to herd sheep this summer. Mr. Kellogg came into town Monday afternoon looking for his daughter, and although he made diligent search he could find no trace of her. He started home and on his way stopped at Mr. Konna's place and there found his daughter. Mr. Kellogg says the girl's mind must be affected, as she had never attempted to leave home before. The Kellogg family have sold their farm and are about ready to leave for Canada.

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GROWTH OF MINING.

The trade returns of the Dominion for the nine months ending March 31 show a notable increase in the export of minerals. During the same period of 1900 the exports of the products of the mines amounted to \$9,652,437; this year they were \$28,542,386, or nearly \$19,000,000 more, from which it may be judged that the mineral riches of Canada are at last attracting the attention which they deserve, and that their development will be such as to place mining in a year or two in the front rank of Canadian industries. As a matter of fact, if it is gauged by the value of the exports, mining is already one of our great industries, the only item of export which exceeds it being animals and their produce. Not only is this the case, but mining is the only industry which shows a decided increase in its exports, and were it not for it the total increase of \$15,002,152, which the returns give in the trade of the Dominion, would be converted into a deficit of nearly \$3,000,000. The importance of the industry can be seen from the fact that the exports of agriculture and manufactures amounted to a little over \$19,000,000 and \$11,000,000 respectively, against \$28,542,386 from the mines, and when we consider that we have scarcely scraped the surface of the known deposits and that there are vast tracts of mineral lands yet untouched, almost undiscovered, the possibilities of the industry seem almost without limit. It is certain that no country in the world has a greater extent or variety of minerals and it is highly satisfactory to know that capitalists and mining men are rapidly finding that fact out. Every encouragement should be given for development, but development in such a way that Canada will reap the benefit of her own products.—Toronto News.

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FOREST OR PRAIRIE.

Manitoba Farmers Looking For Land in New Ontario.

"We do not encourage these Manitoba men," said Mr. Southworth, director of the Ontario Bureau of Colonization, yesterday, in replying to the remarks of Hon. Thomas Greenway in The Mail and Empire. "We discourage them. But when they apply we give them information, and if they are bound to come we cannot keep them out. New Ontario has some advantages over Manitoba." Mr. Southworth's contention is that timber is a good and not an evil, because the farmer is employed all winter in getting out his timber as well as all summer in cultivating his land, thus being profitably employed all the year round.

Mr. Southworth said that the department had received a number of applications from Manitoba farmers who want land in New Ontario, but the practice was, as stated above, not to encourage them, but not to keep them out if they wanted to come.

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STORIES OF BRET HARTE.

How He Came to Print "The Heathen Chinese" and Win Fame.

Several friends of Bret Harte were discussing a story of his which came out lately in a leading periodical, and several anecdotes were told about him which have, I believe, never been in print. The men were all prominent in some department of life, and the conversation was held in the reading room of the Union League Club.

"I wonder if you know how Harte became famous?" said one fine-looking old man. "I was in the West at the time. 'Dear me, it must have been twenty-five years ago! He had been doing regular work for the California Overland Monthly, and the editor looked upon him as a person to be relied on to do not only regular work, but to fill in gaps when they appeared. One day he rushed up to Harte and said: 'I must have half a column immediately. Have you anything on hand?'"

"Harte went to his desk and, overturning a pile of manuscript, picked out some verses and threw them to the editor with the remark: 'I don't know whether they will suit, but I have nothing else the right length.'"

"The verses were 'The Heathen Chinese.' The next day Harte was famous. He has since done what he himself considers better work, but the public, for once constant, gives the highest praise to the work which he thought hardly worth printing."

"The first time Bret Harte came east," said a friend the other day, "he was to take in all the chief cities in New England. We who are familiar with the east exclaimed almost in a breath, 'How he will enjoy the beautiful New England fall! Perhaps the gorgeousness of the foliage seen by him for the first time will inspire another famous poem.'"

"After he had been cast for a short time he wrote me a letter, which I can tell you almost word for word. It ran like this: 'You ask me what has impressed me most since I left home. I can answer emphatically the waitresses! I never saw a woman wait at table before. After my lecture in Concord I was waited on by one at breakfast. She said to me: 'Coffee, tea, ham, eggs and bacon. I enjoyed your lecture, Mr. Harte. You had a most select audience. He never even mentioned the autumn leaves.'—New York Herald."

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tain that no country in the world has a greater extent of variety of minerals and it is highly satisfactory to know that capitalists and mining men are rapidly finding that fact out. Every encouragement should be given for development, but development in such a way that Canada will reap the benefit of her own products.—Toronto News.

WITNESS LECTURES PREMIER ROSS.

The flippant way in which Hon. Mr. Ross treated Mr. Whitney's reference to the Legislature last week to the circular said to be supplied to census enumerators in eastern Ontario has been the cause of considerable comment in a number of eastern papers. The Montreal Witness which has always been an admirer of the present Ontario Government takes Premier Ross to task as follows:

"Mr. Ross was surely very unhappy in his treatment of this matter. Surely it is of some importance to a Government that not its party, we hope, but some judicious members of it, should be guilty of trying to persuade or tempt the census enumerators to perjure themselves, and surely if some of the enumerators who were strong party men were tempted to do so, the result would be deplorable. If a Government treats such affairs as this one as matter of no consequence, it is certainly losing its moral position, and will soon forfeit the confidence of right thinking people."

Largest Vessel in the World.

The launch at Belfast on April 1 of the White Star Line "Olette" was an event of considerable importance in the shipping world. This vessel is the largest ever built, and both the owners, Messrs. Ismay, Imrie & Co., and the builders, Messrs. Harland & Wolff, may be congratulated on the appropriateness of floating her at the dawn of a new century, for the old century's close saw the builders in safe possession of the record for big ships—11,865 tons was their average for 1899, and 11,300 tons for last year—and 20,000 tons is a decidedly promising effort in maintenance of this supremacy. The owners, too, are to be felicitated on the competitively sound way in which they are developing the ocean steamer. The story of the steamship need not be retold; its marvellous growth may now be left to the retrospective lookman. The aspect of the problem about which the trading world is concerned is how, in constant changing modern conditions, the achievements of the engineer and the shipbuilder may have their greatest efficiency. One need not discuss the commercial results of high speed; the fast, luxuriously appointed Atlantic liner is a necessity of the age. But the filling up of new continents, the wonderful manufacturing growth of America, and the closer relationship of the whole business world have created conditions which absolutely call for a halt in the race for records. The blue ribbon of the Atlantic is not in the keeping of the White Star Line; yet its express boats are among the most popular that cross. The safety,



is his bedfellow. These troubles may be trifles in themselves, but they are the skirmishers and sharpshooters that march in advance of the great army of death-dealing disease.

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"I am 35 years old," writes Mr. F. G. Bledsoe, of Louisville, Henry Co., Mo. "For 25 years I suffered the tortures of torpid liver, constipation and indigestion, which severely affected my nerves. Having to make my living by hard work, I would go until I would have to give up. Sometimes my friends would pick me up and carry me to bed. Truly I have thought many times that life was not worth living. At times I would become so despondent, could hardly summon up courage enough to do anything. During what little sleep I could get I was tortured with horrible dreams, until I have thought that one night was equal to forty deaths. But I will stop trying to tell you what I suffered. I cannot tell of it. But, praise God, I will try to tell you how different I feel now, to what I felt six years ago. When I consulted you by letter you advised me to keep my system regulated with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Pleasant Pellets. I took in all six bottles of the 'Discovery' which did me much good. It relieved the pain in my back and between my shoulders, and braced up my nerves. Thanks to Him who doeth all things well, and to you, dear sir, for your advice and medicine. To-day I am a well man."

"For eight years I had very poor health," writes Mrs. M. R. Kitzmiller, of Bayard, Grant Co., W. Va. "The first two years did not mind this bad feeling so much. I finally became too weak to walk about my home. I had headache, sick stomach, backache, tired feeling, low spirits, could not sleep at night, no appetite. I felt worried about everything. I did not care for company. I had doctored with several very good home physicians but received little relief. I so often had heard of Dr. R. V. Pierce's wonderful medicine I made up my mind to write to him and get a bottle of what my trouble was. I wrote to Dr. Pierce telling him some few symptoms of my bad feelings. By return mail I received a letter which gave me much satisfaction. He said I had indigestion and torpid liver, and advised me to use his 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I sent to the drug store and got one bottle of 'Discovery' and one box of 'Pleasant Pellets.' I used these medicines and they gave me great relief. In one month I was feeling well and could do the work of my family. My tired, stupid feeling was gone. I slept well at night, my appetite became good and I felt happy once more. I would save doctor bills for any family to have a copy of Dr. Pierce's splendid thousand-page free book, 'The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser,' explaining the laws of life and health in clear and interesting language, with many valuable suggestions and receipts for curing common ailments by simple home-treatment. It has over three hundred illustrations and colored plates. A strong paper-bound copy will be sent absolutely free, on receipt of 31 cents in one-cent stamps to pay the cost of forwarding the mailing. Write to the World's Dispensary, Medical Association, No. 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. A handsome cloth-bound, beautifully stamped copy will be sent for 50 stamps."

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"He never even mentioned the autumn leaves."—New York Herald.

The Game of Life.

The laugh of a woman in company with the man she loves and has won from all other women is unlike anything else in civilization.—Thomas Hardy.

The game of life is a dangerous play. Each soul must be on the watch all way.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

The etiquette of society makes it quite impossible for men to speak to ladies in the manner which would be intellectually most profitable. We may not teach because it is pedantic, and we may not contradict because it is rude.—Philip Gilbert Hamerton.

There are a good many real miseries in life that we cannot help smiling at, but they are the smiles that make wrinkles and not dimples.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

She was forever saying kind things of stupid people; unconsciously she had illumined them with the sweet, rich glow of her own personality.—Edgar Poe.

Great movements rarely make much stir at the outset.—Edward Eggleston.

There are some joys so glorious they can hardly be imagined.—Archibald Clavering Gunther.

Old men are always fables, for they represent in a harmless form the follies of all mankind.—F. Marion Crawford.

We wish for more in life rather than more of it.—Jean Ingelow.

Bloomers in Japan.

The all-conquering bicycle has invaded Japan, and is now a familiar sight in the hand of the 'ricksha. The Europeans take to it kindly, and the little brown men and women are equally enthusiastic.

The Government has equipped many of its postmen with roadsters, especially those who deliver mail in the suburbs or in the country districts.

The Japanese people themselves still regard the wheel as a great curiosity, but are beginning to both master and manufacture it.

Some of the Japanese women, says an unkind writer, have adopted a queer bicycle costume that is a combination of the bloomers with the native dress. It is neither Japanese nor European. Combined with the upper part of the kimono costume the Japanese ladies clothe their mother limbs in what are neither knickerbockers, trousers, zouaves nor bloomers.

The ludicrous effects are heightened by the girl having a national habit of turning the wheels in developed to its largest extent. All that you see when she passes you is a pair of round and pretty heads wobbling in an uncertain manner, and a little body coiled up that makes you think of a gay little monkey on top of a pole.—San Francisco Examiner.

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I am not what you might call a book writer, although I write in books. That is, in books of account, ledgers and the other miscellaneous volumes that are usually found in a mercantile office. I make this explanation at the outset, so that my readers will be prepared for a simple statement of fact, unadorned with flowery metaphor or blood-stirring delectation.

My name is William Meeker. I am 32 years of age, married to the best wife in the whole world, with two children—boy and girl—aged, respectively, 3 and 2 years. I own a little cottage home at Mount Clarence, just nine miles from the Board of Trade Building in Chicago, and I am employed by the well-known grain brokerage firm of White, Hartwick & Sumner, as confidential clerk and bookkeeper. Information as to my sobriety and morality can be obtained from any one interested from my employment, or from my neighbors in Mount Clarence. I make the above full and clear statement of my personality for the purpose of showing that I am afraid to stand before the world and vouch for the accuracy of this statement of my strange experiences while in India. And I also wish to say, before I proceed with my narrative, that it is made public in direct opposition to the advice and wishes of some of my made friends. But my wife and I have talked the matter over together, and relying on her keen womanly intuition, and upon the broad fact that the truth can never do harm, I have persisted in my intention.

On the afternoon of the twentieth day of August of 1902, I left my office at the usual hour and walked my way to the Illinois Central station. Before getting on the train I stopped at the news stand, and purchased a copy of the Evening Standard, and settling myself in the smoking car, with a cigar in my mouth, proceeded to read over the news of the day. Upon turning to the editorial page I noticed that the publishers offered a free trip around the world to the first person who would sign the word "I am" in a sentence that they printed. Now it so happened that my name was usually supplied the day, and so I was very much interested in the offer that my word was the right one that would enable me to get the coupon, and, taking it in, walked back to the station and handed the envelope containing it to the postal clerk on the inbound train.

While on my way back and forth in the very best of spirits, I saw my name published in the Standard, and I was very much surprised to find that I had been selected to go on the trip. The word "I am" was the only word that had been used, and I was consequently surprised when we stopped at New Mangrove, an agent native being assisted by a native guide to a secret that had been of which I was the only other occupant. But although I noted that they all took

to Mr. Frank Simpkins, care of Mrs. Kelly.

Johnson hunted for a box in which to pack the jelly, and was in despair at finding none. Suddenly his eyes lit upon a new, thick piece of brown wrapping paper in his master's waste basket.

In half an hour five glasses of Anderson's wild grape jelly, wrapped in the careful paper, were on their way to Frank Simpkins.

Frank felt much pleased at this friendly attention on the part of Fleming. He put the jelly away; then, being a careful man, he decided to fold the paper in which the jelly had been wrapped and to put it aside for future use.

In folding it, however, he caught sight of Madge Fairlie's name and address, in Fleming's unmistakable handwriting.

"What the deuce does this mean?" he muttered; then, turning the paper over, he saw Fleming's name and address in Madge's familiar, delicate cursive.

Frank was no fool; it was evident to him at once that Madge and Fleming were carrying on a flirtation. He thought it highly probable that Fleming had sent the girl a box of candy in the brown paper, and he guessed that Madge had returned the compliment by sending some wild flowers to Charlie.

In the early stages of Frank's acquaintance with Madge, she had frequently sent him parcels of fruit, and, since her last visit to New York, no such tender tokens of affection had reached him.

He felt a mighty wrath sweep through him as he realized that he had been deceived by the girl and by his friend.

He rushed to the desk and wrote a hurried note to Madge. The missive was short and not sweet; it read as follows:

"Miss Madge Fairlie: I understand that you have been corresponding clandestinely with Charles Fleming. What does this mean?"

"Frank Simpkins."

He sent the note and impatiently awaited an answer. The reply came in a couple of days. It was almost as short, and quite as lacking in sweetness as his own note had been. It read as follows:

"Mr. Frank Simpkins: It means that I have a right to correspond with whomsoever I please. When a man has paid serious attention to a girl for five years, without proposing, the girl can properly and honorably turn her thoughts toward other less deliberate suitors."

"Madge Fairlie."

But although Frank felt decidedly hurt at the tenor of this message, his sensuous nature was in a way comforted by these of Charlie Fleming, compared with those of Madge.

Miss Fairlie, knowing naught of the brown paper, had concluded from Frank's note that Charlie had betrayed the secret of their rapidly developed friendship with enthusiastic confidence.

She was piqued with Frank, but on Charlie she expended all the force of her womanly wrath and contempt. Her letter to Fleming was long and fiery. She called him many unpleasant names—"fool," "idiot," "blockhead," and "stupid"—being the least bitter of them all.

"She said she would never see him or write to him again! She requested the return of her letters and photograph, and said that his own letters could not be returned because she had used them as curl papers. Feeling that to deliver them in such vulgar usage was sweet revenge, she for the jelly. It would be expressed to him the following day, with the exception of one glassful, which she retained to say, she had already eaten."

Fleming read the letter very carefully, then he hunted for the other gentleman with which Madge had turned him. At last, he collected all of them and burned them in the kitchen fire, after which he wrote a formal message to Madge, informing her that he had no desire to continue a correspondence with a woman capable of laughing him as dishonorable as her note implied. He added that he would gladly return her letters, but as he had never kept any of

LOVE LAUGHS AT COLD.

Whatever May Be the Weather Couples Spon in the Park.

It may be all very true that "love laughs at looksmiths," but it appears to be equally true that love laughs at cold weather. For three months or more I have been watching the performances of several pairs of lovers in Johnson Park. It is a beautiful place in summer—I know of no more dainty spot in all the earth, yet it is not quite an ideal place for love-making if one desires any particular degree of isolation. But all through the summer evenings these lovers have told each other the "old, old story" night after night in the little park. It is always light there. The gleam of the electric lights and the windows of many residences make any part of the park almost as light as day, but these lovers seem to have become accustomed to all that, and have even become so tame that they have grown to disregard even the children who play in the park during the early evening. This season of love-making has served as amusement for many residents living in that neighborhood, and everyone supposed that when the cold weather came on the young people would disappear and continue their billing and cooing in somebody's parlor; but not so. During all the cold evenings of the past week, at least two couples have never missed a night. As soon as it is fairly dark they appear on the benches just as affectionate as ever, if not a little more so, because the nights grow colder they sit a little closer together, and there are not so many windows open from which they are watched, and not so many mischievous children to throw sticks at them. I believe that must be what is known as true love, for it certainly cannot be a false love that induces two human beings to sit out of doors such nights as we have had during the past week.—Buffalo News.

What a Bridegroom Should Do.

There is a modern definition of a bridegroom which is a little cruel certainly, but which pretty well describes the position of that personage. A bridegroom is said to be a thing in a black coat who attends weddings. And it is quite true that in point of importance he ranks very low down indeed in the eyes of the spectator. Yet there is not the slightest reason really why he should appear in such a very poor light as he too often does.

He need not, for instance, come into church or the room as if he were being led to execution. He need not hang his head as if caught in the commission of a crime, or blunder about with an awkwardness which makes every girl present feel thankful she is not in the bride's shoes.

No doubt his position is painful and trying. He feels that he is the target of all eyes, when in fact, he is nothing of the kind. Let him start by convincing himself that no one is likely to waste a chance on him when there are the bride and the bridesmaids to be looked at, and he will find it easier to preserve his self-possession. He must try to look happy, no matter how he feels.

Can a worse compliment be paid to the girl he has induced to marry him than looking as if he regretted his folly? He must try to look manly, not only for her sake, but his own, for she is very likely to regret her decision at the last moment when she sees how he feels.

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The Smallest Commonwealth.

The smallest commonwealth of the world, says an article quoted in Current Literature, is the little republic Tavolara upon the little island of the same name, situated some seven or eight miles south of the island of Sardinia. Tavolara is an island about one mile in diameter and inhabited at present by fifty-five people, men, women, and children. In 1839 Karl Albert, then King of Sardinia, bestowed the supremacy over this little island upon the Bartolomei family, and for forty-six years "King" Paul I. reigned in peace in his domain. He died on May 30, 1882, and shortly before his demise called all his faithful subjects to his bedside and declared it to be his earnest desire that none of his relatives should succeed him as the head of Government in the island, but that he considered it for the best that the good people of Tavolara should govern themselves. After this last wish, no candidate for the vacated throne could be found among the family of the deceased, who were used to consider their "King's" wish law, and the little island remained ungoverned for four years. At last, in 1886, the little island was declared a republic. Their constitution gives elective franchise to both men and women; a president is elected to serve six years. None of their officers receive any compensation.

They Deserved It.

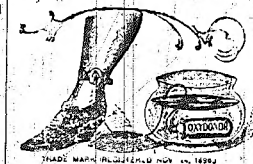
A country minister took permanent leave of his congregation in the following pathetic manner: Brothers and sisters, I come to say good-by. I don't think God loves this church, because none of you ever die. I don't think you love each other, because I never marry any of you. I don't think I love you, because you have not paid my salary; your donations are moldy fruit and wormy apples, and by their fruits ye shall know them. Brothers, I am going to a better place, to be a plain of a poor man, because I go ye cannot come. I go to prepare a place for you, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls. Good-by.

Must Have Been There.

A good story is told on Chaucery Down. He reserved a letter from a young man a friend in Albany asking for a pass for his mother-in-law, who was coming to make him a visit, and closing with the delicate hint: "Don't forget to have the return coupon attached." Mr. Depew is nothing if not

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My wife, although expecting to undergo a surgical operation, was very anxious that I should have the advantage of the trip, and my employers warmly assenting. I left Chicago on the third day of October. It was not until the day of my arrival with the dignity of my route. Since it, to say that the 21st of November I was spending across the continent of Asia in the very comfortable coaches of the Government Transcontinental Railroad. In order to reach the different centers of population to the railroad it is necessary to provide separate coaches or compartments for their benefit, and I was consequently surprised when I stopped at Nanking, to find an apartment being assigned by a Chinese official to a seat in that section of which I was the only white occupant. But although I noted that they all took pains not to even allow their garments to brush against mine, they bade me good-day in the midst of English, and seemed for their conversation and questions to be well-versed in European politics.

The aged one, who the next day addressed with every sign of intense respect, as I am, seemed to be hearing the very words of admiration, but the flowing eye and quick, short intonation of a spirit that could not contain itself in its wearing material, both of which I had noted down and then again noted, as I was about to have one of my tail, commencing to speak.

We were waiting near the native foot of the mountain, and I was told that the old man, when I left, had been supplied with a quick force. Almost before I had time to realize it, my car had topped over and rested in the water, apparently at this season, fortunately, and I was the only one to escape. I was told that the old man, when I left, had been supplied with a quick force. Almost before I had time to realize it, my car had topped over and rested in the water, apparently at this season, fortunately, and I was the only one to escape. I was told that the old man, when I left, had been supplied with a quick force. Almost before I had time to realize it, my car had topped over and rested in the water, apparently at this season, fortunately, and I was the only one to escape.

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He greeted me with simple dignity, expressed his obligations for my assistance in the wreck and invited me to stay with him in the evening. He was a man of a very high order of intelligence, and I was very glad to find that he was a man of a very high order of intelligence, and I was very glad to find that he was a man of a very high order of intelligence.

She was plucked by Frank, who on Charlie she expended all the force of her womanly wrath and contempt. Her letter to Fleming was long and fiery. She called him "many unpleasant names." "Coward," "coward," and "traitor," being the least bitter of them all. She said she would never see him or write to him again. She requested the return of her letters and photograph, and said that his own letters could not be returned because she had used them as writing paper, feeling that to do so would be such vulgar usage was sweet revenge. As for the jelly, it would be expressed to him the following day, with the exception of one glassful, which she regretted to say, she had already eaten.

The next day, after very carefully, then he hunted for the other gayer notes with which Mudge had favored him. At last, he collected all of them and burned them in the kitchen fire, after which he wrote a formal message to Mudge, informing him that he had decided to continue a correspondence with a woman capable of imagining him so disgraced as his note implied. He added that he would gladly return her letters, but as he had never kept any of them it was impossible to accede to her request.

Then he went down to see Frank Simpkins. What happened to one knows, who thus directly concurred in their eventual meeting, and they will not disagree. It is, though, that Fleming now goes about town with a very black eye, and is not falling from his bicycle, he says.

And Frank Simpkins, who was never known to ride a horse, is telling his friends of a trip on horseback into the country one day recently. He says that he was, some time, about a mile and neglected to watch his horse, which threw him carelessly into a blackberry bush.

His story is probably true, for his face bears the trace of scratches, and there is quite a bad black-and-blue spot under his left ear.

He must have explained the mystery of the wrapping paper to Fleming for, on that gentleman's return to his apartment, after his friendly call upon Frank Johnson, the colored valet, was treated to a little dissertation on the value of fresh test wrappings for parcels.

As for Mudge, unless she reads this story, she will never know how Frank discovered the truth about her little flirtation.

She is coming to New York again in August, but, it is probable that a Frank Simpkins will tender her adieux at Charlie Fleming's apartments.

In the Lion's Cage.

Menagerie lions are treated to strange and sometimes attractive spectacles now and then. In Paris the serpent dance has been frequently performed in the cages, the supposed monarchs of the desert, exhibited at last. At Tallins, in the Iser, a lion and a diamond entered a cage of lions recently, accompanied by the tamer, in order to win a wager. One of the lionesses, down in a chair, was lashed by his colleague, and showed by the shagmug, who wielded the razor with the most consummate coolness and skill. The trio were enthusiastically applauded as they emerged from the cage and won the wager.

In the Wrong Place.

There is a saloon on Van Buren street which was formerly occupied as a saloon. The man who now has the place has whitewashed the wall, on which were some religious texts, but the wall is coming off, and one of the texts which is coming off is "The Lord's Prayer." An old cobbler with grim humor suggested to the proprietor that he should move his bar out to that side of the room;—Chicago Tribune.

Roll the Roads Frequently.

A strong roll should be, in constant and active use on the roads of every township. Then will the roads speedily attain that smoothness and firmness which not only wheeled men but every farmer and business man desire.

He need not, for instance, come into church or the room as if he were being led to execution. He need not hang his head as if caught in the commission of a crime, or blunder about with an awkwardness which makes every girl present feel thankful she is not in the bride's shoes.

No doubt his position is painful and trying. He feels that he is the target for all eyes, when, in fact, he is nothing of the kind. Let him start by convincing himself that no one is likely to waste a chance on him when there are the bride and the bridesmaid to be looked at, and he will find it easier to preserve his self-possession. He must, try to look happy, no matter how he feels.

Can a worse compliment be paid to the girl he has induced to marry him than looking as if he regretted his folly? He must try to look mainly, not only for her sake, but his own, for she is very likely to regret her decision at the last moment when she sees how it seems to affect him. He should look proud.

Surely it ought to be the proudest moment of his life; he should be elated, and not ashamed. He should be in good spirits, yet not carried away by them. A peculiar bridegroom is a thing one has only to see once to remember with horror for the rest of one's days.—N. Y. Times.

Bonded Children.

In these days of progress and discontent with the old methods the following item from a western paper may be refreshing to those who long for the "good old times."

"A novel document was filed in the office of the County Recorder recently. It is a paper wherein Mrs. Belle Asher apprentices her daughter, Letha Asher, 9 years old, to Mary Jane Love to learn the trade and art of housekeeping."

Although it appears to be "novel," the apprenticeship, or, as it is familiarly called, "the binding out" of children, is particularly common in the south. The writer knows of a case where a benevolent western woman had a little colored girl "bound" to her for (apparently) by the mother as a token of gratitude at Christmas. In return for the child's services the mistress became responsible for her boarding, lodging and education.

When Death Comes.

"When death comes we walk down the valley of shadows, knowing that we shall find there the shining footprints of the living, and confident that in due time the morning light of the resurrection will break upon the spirit and we shall be with God forever."

Deeds, Not Words.

"Just do a thing and don't talk about it. This is the great secret of success in all enterprises. Talk means discussion; discussion means irritation; irritation means opposition and opposition means hindrance always, whether you are right or wrong."

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She turned her head, noticed that the bride was considerably older than the groom, and in the smoothest of tones said:

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"Hallo, Bill, you seem in rare good spirits. What's made you so?" "The boss sent me to get half a pound of meat. On the way I dropped it in the mud, and he said I could eat it myself."

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A country minister took permanent leave of his congregation in the following pathetic manner: Brothers and sisters, I come to say good-by. I don't think God loves this church, because none of you ever die. I don't think you love each other, because I never marry any of you. I don't think you love me, because you have not paid my salary; your donations are moldy fruit and wormy apples, and by their fruits you shall know them. Brothers, I am going to a better place, to be chaplain of a penitentiary, where my eye cannot come. I go to prepare a place for you, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls. Good-by.

Must Have Been There.

A good story is told on Chamney's Depot. A man, who had been a long married friend in Albany, was coming to make him a visit, and closing with the delicate hint: "Don't forget to have the return coupon attached." Mr. Depey is nothing if not worldly, wise and sympathetic, and in sending the pass he wrote: "I have not neglected the return coupon, and have limited it to three days."

The Future.

We can as little argue respecting the laws of the future state from those which govern the present as we can argue respecting tropical productions from the sterility of our own ice-bound snow-covered coasts. That there is a future, that we shall live in it, and that God will be our God then as now, these are the great facts of transcendent importance, that there will be love and friendship and mutual recognitions is indicated by many passages in scripture and is not contradicted by Christ's teaching.

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Items of Local Interest

Mr. J. T. Horn is in town.
R. Oleson, of Dinawic, is in town.

O. Smith, who has charge of the government diamond drill, is now engaged boring for copper near Huntsville, Muskoka district.

D. Miller, of Woodstock, was in town this week.

C.W. Franke has had a force of men raising the Shamrock this week. She has been raised about five feet already and in a few days it is expected will be afloat. About twenty tons of ice have been taken from the boat.

T. E. Blubeck came in from the Homestake mine last night.

J. R. Bromley, of the C.P.R. staff, has been transferred to Fort William.

An expectant audience in Zion church Wednesday evening waited in vain for Rev. J. H. Hector, the "Black Knight," to deliver his lecture on "Don't." He was expected to arrive on the evening train, and had so notified the committee, but on the train's arrival it was found that he had not evidently made connection and that his explanation being wired the committee, Mr. P.H. Clark expressed his regrets to the audience at the disappointment.

Capt. Halstam and Capt. Gamble will visit Rat Portage and hold special meetings in the Salvation Army barracks, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst. The meeting on Monday night will be a musical one. These two officers were stationed in Rat Portage about two or three years ago, so no doubt their many friends will be glad to see them again.

W. C. Reaman of Winnipeg was in town yesterday.

A. McMichael, of Toronto, a director of the Rat Portage Hardware Co., was in town attending to business.

its first annual summer fair on July 1st to 4th.

We suppose it is natural enough that a crook should succeed in getting money out of a bank where a straight stick can't pull a dollar.

Mrs. Langford tenders her heartfelt thanks to the many friends who were so thoughtfully kind to her during her late husband's illness, and for the many expressions of loving sympathy extended to her in her bereavement.

The second annual banquet of St. George's society will be held in the Hilliard house on Tuesday evening next, April 23. The society is one of the most popular and aggressive in Rat Portage, and it is needless to say that the banquet promises to be the most successful of its kind ever held in Rat Portage.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Sullivan left Tuesday evening on a visit to Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weir left Tuesday evening on a trip to Scotland. They will visit the old home of Mr. Weir and many points of interest in the old land. They expect to be absent till some time in July.

The strike among the census enumerators for the remote section of the district is off and they will get to work at once. The department saw the justice of their claim for expense money and at once forwarded a respectable amount to the commissioner.

Will Thompson, son of Capt. Thompson, left Wednesday for Beaudette. He will act as pursuer on the Maple Leaf this season.

W.D. Fullerton left for Winnipeg yesterday morning.

Capt. Thompson left last night for Ft. William.

The Ladies Hospital Aid Society will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, April 27th, at 4:30 p. m. in the town hall. All persons interested in this society and its work are invited to attend the meeting.

A Winnipegger saw an advertisement in a Montreal paper of "a pocket die escape" for \$1. He sent the money and received a copy of the New Testament.—Free Press.

Norman News.

Rev. R. Nairn preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday. The discourse was a most eloquent one, the theme being "Gentleness."

The funeral of Mrs. K. McKenzie took place Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. L. Small conducted the services.

The Methodist Ladies Aid met Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. McMurphy.

Rev. J. L. Small conducted the Christian Endeavor Tuesday. Miss Maggie Davies read an excellent paper on the subject.

On Wednesday evening the Bachdors of Norman gave a ball in Greenwood Hall. There was a large crowd present from Rat Portage. "All the beauty and chivalry" of Norman were assembled and a most enjoyable evening and morning spent.

Mr. Clarkson and family leave shortly for Port Arthur. They will be much missed here.

Capt. Williams and family have returned to Rat Portage.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

SCENES FROM CLERICAL LIFE.

By "MAX."

Rev. Donald Grant was a character. Theology made of him no old woman. He was a man. His university career was brilliant and he paid his way by winning scholarships. So that when his education was completed his numerous friends expected much. He came to Canada and received a call to Lorne Presbyterian church.

Well do I remember the first sermon. The little church was packed. He came in puffing and blowing at about ten minutes past seven and strode up to the pulpit. Then we all took a good look at him. Before us stood a man of about 40, tall but stooped. He was not handsome, but his broad massive brow combined with his shrewd looking Scotch face, gave promise of intellect and force of character. He sat down, gave his nose two or three hard pulls and announced the hymn. Everything went along rapidly and well. Then came the sermon and every eye was fixed upon him. There can be no denying it that was a great sermon. His grand, clear, ringing voice resounded through the little church with force and power as in magnificent language he told the gospel story of Christ the good Shepherd. His illustrations were apt and striking and more than once his dry humor caused a suppressed titter to pass from pew to pew. At this a queer kind of twinkle would shine in his eyes and about them and seem to spread quickly over his whole countenance. Once in the middle of a splendid oratorical burst he lost the thread, repeated himself two or three times and then rushed frantically to his notes. But on the whole it was a success and the critics were well satisfied.

Next Sunday it was not quite so good, and the next it was worse still. His preaching would not wear well and this was always the way. His own people grew tired and strangers wondered why. But his was a great soul. He was the most charitable man I ever knew. The poor and needy always went to Donald Grant; those in trouble always brought their griefs to him. So that he grew to be much loved. His heart was most tender and he had a great love for little children. I remember once being summoned in my capacity of physician to the bedside of one of his Sunday school scholars. I found Grant there beside the little sufferer and as he watched her agony the big drops rolled down his face. At last as she grew fainter and fainter, with a sweet smile upon her little face she looked up at him and whispered, "Read about Christ and the little children, please, Mr. Grant." And then, his rich musical voice trembling with emotion, he read of the love of the great lover of children to whom she was going now. The golden sunshine fell lovingly about them bathing alike the massive head of the reading preacher and the pale brow of the dying child. Then back

that he only continued to go in a circle, he gave this up, folded his arms and waited to see what would happen next. The winds blew him back to Malby, and he put up at the hotel for the night. In the morning his wife found him in that town buying a new pair of socks, and he told her his feet were not yet dry.

But he thundred against "wickedness in high places" too much to suit certain luxurious ones, and consequently their wrath was at last brought down upon his head. He felt himself called upon to resign and the Sunday following the trouble he preached his farewell sermon. It seemed as if all his latent energy had been summoned for that occasion for it was a splendid effort. Never before had he seemed so noble, never before had his words rung out with so much power. We saw him at his best. Then those who had known him in his life of good works knew that Lorne was losing a man, and old folks of the early days whose babes had been christened by him felt their dear departed as they listened to his last words. He was gone and they had not appreciated him.

But out in another land with new courage and zeal Rev. Donald Grant is doing his best for men.

Born.

WALKER.—The wife of Wm. Walker, Second Street, on April 10th, of a daughter.

HYPNOTISM BY WIRE.

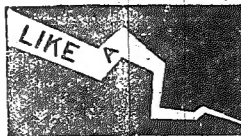
Successful Test Over a Telephone Between Denver and Pueblo.

Denver, April 11.—A test of hypnotizing by long distance telephone was performed successfully in Denver and Pueblo last night by J. Edwin Hitts of Cleveland, Ohio, and Fred H. Stouffer of Pueblo. Alonzo Coons, who has frequently been operated upon before, took his seat at a table in a Pueblo office with the receiver held fast to his ear by a steel spring, such as is used in telephone exchanges. Dr. Hitts spoke into the microphone in Denver and his voice was carried to the subject 120 miles away. A telegraph operator in the room with Coons kept the hypnotist posted by bulletins on the subject's condition. In a short time Coons was under the operator's influence and at the hypnotist's suggestion ate a bit of potato, sniffed ammonia and performed several of the common tests to prove the genuineness of the trance. Mr. Stouffer performed a similar experiment on J. H. Johnson, a subject in Denver. The same tests used on Coons were used on Johnson with success. Both subjects became rigid in the cataplectic state and doctors examined the eye balls of each and found them not at all sensitive.

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Like a flash of lightning, sudden and startling, disease strikes down many a man. Yet there have been warnings upon warnings, unheeded. Fool has lain like a heavy weight in the stomach after eating. There have been belchings, bitter risings in the mouth, nervousness, sleeplessness and growing irritability. Instead of listening to these warnings, recourse has been had to some of the nerve numbing palliatives that cover but never cure disease. Many serious diseases begin in a diseased condition of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition. For such diseases there is one medicine which rarely fails to effect a complete cure. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures ninety-eight per cent. of all who give it a fair and faithful trial. It is a temperance medicine and contains no alcohol.

"I was afflicted with what the doctors called nervous indigestion," writes Mr. Thos. G. Lever, of Lever, Richmond Co., S. C. "I took medicine from my family physician to no avail. In looking over one of Dr. Pierce's Memorandum Books, I found my case described exactly. I wrote to you and made a statement. You sent me a descriptive list of questions, also some hygienic rules. I carried those out as best I could, but thought my financials as I suffered so much with pain and my mind and an empty feeling in my stomach. At night would have cold or hot feet and hands, alternately. I was getting nervous and suffered a great deal, mentally, thinking that death would soon claim me. Always expected something unusual to take place, was irritable and impatient, and greatly reduced in flesh. I could scarcely eat anything that would not produce a bad feeling in my stomach. After some hesitation owing to my scruples against patent medicines, I decided to try a few bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Peppermint Cure. After taking several bottles of each, found I was improving. I continued for six months or more, and lo! and behold I was cured."

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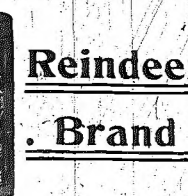
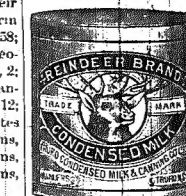
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Aids to Happiness.

An expectant audience in Zion church Wednesday evening waited in vain for Rev. J. H. Hector, the "Black Knight," to deliver his lecture on "Bonté." He was expected to arrive on the evening train, and had so notified the committee, but on the train's arrival it was found that he had not evidently made connection, neither had any explanation been wired the committee. Mr. P. H. Clark expressed his regrets to the audience at the disappointment.

Capt. Halstun and Capt. Gamble will visit Rat Portage and hold special meetings in the Salvation Army barracks, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst. The meeting on Monday night will be a musical one. These two officers were stationed in Rat Portage about two or three years ago, so no doubt their many friends will be glad to see them again.

W. C. Reaman of Winnipeg was in town yesterday.

A. McMichael, of Toronto, a director of the Rat Portage Hardware Co., was in town yesterday attending the annual meeting of the Co. He was accompanied by Mrs. McMichael.

W. Scott, of Winnipeg, immigration agent was in town yesterday.

Rat Portage assizes will commence July 11th.

S. Phipps, assistant master mechanic of the C.P.R., was in town yesterday.

Wm. Clougher, proprietor of the Clougher block, who has been in town for some days left for Winnipeg yesterday.

J. E. Schweitzer, of Winnipeg, was in town Tuesday.

Edmonton has formed an industrial exhibition association and will have

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The funeral of Mrs. K. McKeen took place Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. L. Small conducted the services.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid met Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. McMurphy.

Rev. J. L. Small conducted the Christian Endeavor Tuesday. Miss Maggie Davies read an excellent paper on the subject.

On Wednesday evening the Bachsors of Norman gave a ball in Greenwood Hall. There was a large crowd present from Rat Portage. "All the beauty and chivalry" of Norman were assembled and a most enjoyable evening and morning spent.

Mr. Clarkson and family leave shortly for Fort Arthur. They will be much missed here.

Capt. Williams and family have removed to Rat Portage.

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River Pearl Sold for \$1,000.
Prairie du Chien, Wis., April 15.—While cleaning shells Mrs. John Love, of Lansing, found a beautiful pearl. It is double saucer shape, weighs sixty-four grains and is perfect in every respect. The pearl was purchased by P. O. Heide, of this city, for \$1,000. It measures three-fourths of an inch in diameter, and is the finest gem taken from the river up to date.

Untold Agony from Salt Rheum.
Mr. Chas. F. McLean, Palmerston, Ont., says:—"I suffered untold agony and misery for years with salt rheum in my feet. I tried almost every remedy I could hear of. I was told by the best physicians I could get no more than temporary relief. I was induced to try Dr. Chase's Ointment. After one or two applications I received great relief, and when I had used two boxes I was completely cured." At all dealers, 50 cents a box.

Steam Ice Breaker.
Tests have been made with the ice-breaking steamship "Ernack," to penetrate ice in the Arctic Ocean. She steamed north from Spitzbergen, breaking through fields of ice 13 1/2 ft. to 15 1/2 ft. in thickness with comparative ease. She also steamed through several accumulations of ice 40 ft. thick and over 20 ft. high from the surface of the sea. Subsequently she sprang a leak through being struck in a weak part of her hull by a low-lying block of ice, and had to return to her dock at Newcastle. The "Ernack" has a displacement of 8,000 tons and 10,000 h.p. Of the total horse-power, 2,500 is developed by the forward engine, and used to drive a forward screw; but this screw was found to be useless in the Polar seas. The conclusions from these tests are that an ice-breaking steamship must not only be strengthened in her front part down to the water-line, but the whole extent below the water.—The Mechanical Engineer.

Mrs. David Wood of Kingston attempted suicide by taking poison, but was prevented.

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He was at times most forgetful and absent-minded as many scholars and thinkers often are. He studied and travelled so much that he could do nothing else, and was most awkward very often. One day he crossed from Lorne to Malby in a row-boat. It was a fair evening and he got along tolerably well. He started late. It was exceedingly dark, he was a poor oarsman and the wind was high. Consequently he was barely half way home when he was dashed against a rock. One oar broke and for about ten minutes he rowed with all his might with the other one. Finding

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Reports of an attempt to assassinate Mr. Kuyper and the capture of Gen. French by the Boers are both discredited.

Over 2,000 Italian laborers have arrived at Montreal in a destitute condition, within the past few months. They claim that they were deceived by people connected with the steamship companies.

The Mayor of Ottawa has received a letter from Lady Minto, in which she suggests the raising of a fund to establish "cottage hospitals" to commemorate the reign of the late Queen. An anonymous donation of \$2,000 has already been received by Her Excellency.

Preparing For Moral Sunstion.
"Don't you believe in moral sunstion?" asked the neighbor.
The indignant father stopped with the switch poised in the air.
"Of course I do," he answered. "I tried it once, and I'm going to try it again just as soon as I lick this boy hard enough so that he'll know enough to be ruled by it the next time I try it. Yes, sir, moral sunstion is a great thing, and I'm going to teach this boy how good it is; I have to wale the life out of him to do it. He doesn't appreciate its advantages yet."

A Great Baby.
Tommy—Did you know about that baby that was fed on elephant's milk, pop, and gained 20 pounds a day?
Tommy's Pop (Indignantly)—No, I didn't. Whose baby was it?
Tommy—The elephant's baby, pop.—Scraps.

There are only three remaining of the original 13 crosses built by King Edward I to mark the resting place of Queen Eleanor's funeral procession. One is near Northampton, one Waltham Cross, the third at Charing Cross.

Four miles from Bath, England, is a mysterious monument known as the Three Shires Stone. From it you can see parts of Somersetshire, Gloucestershire and Wiltshire.

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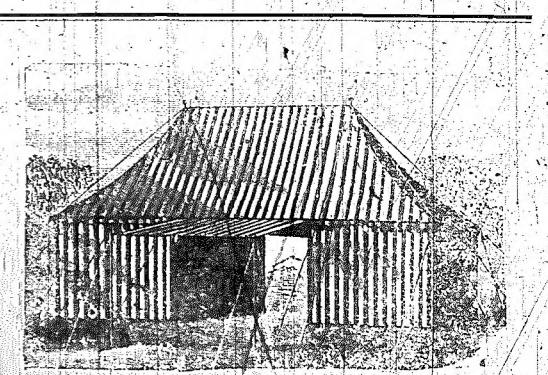
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